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Financing of the United Nations Operation in Côte d'Ivoire

Report of the Fifth Committee

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I. Introduction

1. The previous recommendation made by the Fifth Committee to the General Assembly under agenda item 149 appears in the report of the Committee contained in document A/66/633.

2. The Fifth Committee considered the item at its 33rd and 38th meetings, on 10 May and 12 June 2012. Statements and observations made in the course of the Committee's consideration of the item are reflected in the relevant summary records (A/C.5/66/SR.33 and 38).

3. For its consideration of the item, the Committee had before it the following documents:

(a) Report of the Secretary-General on the budget performance of the United Nations Operation in Côte d'Ivoire for the period from 1 July 2010 to 30 June 2011 (A/66/616);

(b) Report of the Secretary-General on the budget for the United Nations Operation in Côte d'Ivoire for the period from 1 July 2012 to 30 June 2013 (A/66/753);

(c) Related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/66/718/Add.18).

II. Consideration of draft resolution A/C.5/66/L.45

4. At its 38th meeting, on 12 June, the Committee had before it a draft resolution entitled "Financing of the United Nations Operation in Côte d'Ivoire" (A/C.5/66/L.45), submitted by the Chair of the Committee on the basis of informal consultations coordinated by the representative of the Dominican Republic.

5. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.5/66/L.45 without a vote (see para. 6).

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III. Recommendation of the Fifth Committee

6. The Fifth Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

Financing of the United Nations Operation in Côte d'Ivoire

The General Assembly,

Having considered the reports of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Operation in Côte d'Ivoire[1] and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[2]

Recalling Security Council resolution 1528 (2004) of 27 February 2004, by which the Council decided to establish the United Nations Operation in Côte d'Ivoire for an initial period of twelve months as from 4 April 2004, and the subsequent resolutions by which the Council extended the mandate of the Operation, the latest of which was resolution 2000 (2011) of 27 July 2011, by which the Council extended the mandate of the Operation until 31 July 2012,

Recalling also its resolution 58/310 of 18 June 2004 on the financing of the Operation and its subsequent resolutions thereon, the latest of which was resolution 66/242 of 24 December 2011,

Reaffirming the general principles underlying the financing of United Nations peacekeeping operations, as stated in General Assembly resolutions 1874 (S-IV) of 27 June 1963, 3101 (XXVIII) of 11 December 1973 and 55/235 of 23 December 2000,

Mindful of the fact that it is essential to provide the Operation with the financial resources necessary to enable it to fulfil its responsibilities under the relevant resolutions of the Security Council,

1. *Requests* the Secretary General to entrust the Head of Mission with the task of formulating future budget proposals in full accordance with the provisions of General Assembly resolutions 59/296 of 22 June 2005, 60/266 of 30 June 2006, 61/276 of 29 June 2007, 64/269 of 24 June 2010, 65/289 of 30 June 2011 and 66/___ of _____June 2012, as well as other relevant resolutions;

2. *Takes note* of the status of contributions to the United Nations Operation in Côte d'Ivoire as at 30 April 2012, including the contributions outstanding in the amount of 92.3 million United States dollars, representing some 2 per cent of the total assessed contributions, notes with concern that only fifty-eight Member States have paid their assessed contributions in full, and urges all other Member States, in particular those in arrears, to ensure payment of their outstanding assessed contributions;

3. *Expresses its appreciation* to those Member States which have paid their assessed contributions in full, and urges all other Member States to make every possible effort to ensure payment of their assessed contributions to the Operation in full;

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[1] A/66/616 and A/66/753.

[2] A/66/718/Add.18.

4. *Expresses concern* at the financial situation with regard to peacekeeping activities, in particular as regards the reimbursements to troop contributors that bear additional burdens owing to overdue payments by Member States of their assessments;

5. *Emphasizes* that all future and existing peacekeeping missions shall be given equal and non-discriminatory treatment in respect of financial and administrative arrangements;

6. *Also emphasizes* that all peacekeeping missions shall be provided with adequate resources for the effective and efficient discharge of their respective mandates;

7. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure that proposed peacekeeping budgets are based on the relevant legislative mandates;

8. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[2] subject to the provisions of the present resolution, and requests the Secretary-General to ensure their full implementation;

9. *Takes note* of paragraphs 31, 37 to 39 and 59 of the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions;[2]

10. *Notes with appreciation* the continued assistance of the United Nations Mission in Liberia to the mission in Côte d'Ivoire;

11. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure the full implementation of the relevant provisions of its resolutions 59/296, 60/266, 61/276, 64/269, 65/289 and 66/___;

12. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to take all action necessary to ensure that the Operation is administered with a maximum of efficiency and economy;

Budget performance report for the period from 1 July 2010 to 30 June 2011

13. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on the budget performance of the Operation for the period from 1 July 2010 to 30 June 2011;[3]

14. *Decides* to appropriate to the Special Account for the United Nations Operation in Côte d'Ivoire the amount of 66,404,700 dollars for the maintenance of the Operation for the period from 1 July 2010 to 30 June 2011, in addition to the amount of 514,490,400 dollars previously appropriated for the Operation for the same period under the terms of General Assembly resolution 64/273 of 24 June 2010, inclusive of 485,078,200 dollars for the maintenance of the Operation, 24,909,700 dollars for the support account for peacekeeping operations and 4,502,500 dollars for the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy;

Financing of the additional appropriation for the period from 1 July 2010 to 30 June 2011

15. *Also decides*, taking into account the amount of 514,490,400 dollars already apportioned under the terms of its resolution 64/273 for the period from 1 July 2010 to 30 June 2011, to apportion among Member States the additional

[3] A/66/616.

amount of 66,404,700 dollars for the maintenance of the Operation for the same period, in accordance with the levels updated in General Assembly resolution 64/249 of 24 December 2009, and taking into account the scale of assessments for 2010 and 2011, as set out in Assembly resolution 64/248 of 24 December 2009;

16. *Further decides* that there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 15 above, the amount of 7,632,400 dollars representing other income in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2011;

17. *Decides* that, in accordance with the provisions of General Assembly resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955, there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 15 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of 443,600 dollars, representing the additional staff assessment income for the Operation in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2011;

Budget estimates for the period from 1 July 2012 to 30 June 2013

18. *Also decides* to appropriate to the Special Account for the United Nations Operation in Côte d'Ivoire the amount of 600,150,600 dollars for the period from 1 July 2012 to 30 June 2013, inclusive of 575,017,000 dollars for the maintenance of the Operation, 23,832,400 dollars for the support account for peacekeeping operations and 1,301,200 dollars for the United Nations Logistics Base;

Financing of the appropriation

19. *Further decides* to apportion among Member States the amount of 50,012,550 dollars for the period from 1 to 31 July 2012, in accordance with the levels updated in General Assembly resolution 64/249, and taking into account the scale of assessments for 2012, as set out in Assembly resolution 64/248;

20. *Decides* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X), there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 19 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of 1,004,125 dollars, comprising the estimated staff assessment income of 762,750 dollars approved for the Operation, the prorated share of 199,225 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the support account and the prorated share of 42,150 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the United Nations Logistics Base;

21. *Also decides* to apportion among Member States the amount of 550,138,050 dollars for the period from 1 August 2012 to 30 June 2013, at a monthly rate of 50,012,550 dollars, in accordance with the levels updated in General Assembly resolution 64/249 and taking into account the scale of assessments for 2012, as set out in Assembly resolution 64/248, and for 2013,[4] subject to a decision of the Security Council to extend the mandate of the Operation;

22. *Further decides* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X), there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 21 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of 11,045,375 dollars, comprising the estimated staff assessment income of

[4] To be adopted by the General Assembly.

8,390,250 dollars approved for the Operation, the prorated share of 2,191,475 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the support account and the prorated share of 463,650 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the United Nations Logistics Base;

23. *Emphasizes* that no peacekeeping mission shall be financed by borrowing funds from other active peacekeeping missions;

24. *Encourages* the Secretary-General to continue to take additional measures to ensure the safety and security of all personnel participating in the Operation under the auspices of the United Nations, bearing in mind paragraphs 5 and 6 of Security Council resolution 1502 (2003) of 26 August 2003;

25. *Invites* voluntary contributions to the Operation in cash and in the form of services and supplies acceptable to the Secretary-General, to be administered, as appropriate, in accordance with the procedure and practices established by the General Assembly;

26. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-seventh session the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations Operation in Côte d'Ivoire".